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### GRANT FROM R.I. FOUNDATION FOR SALVE REGINA'S WAKEHURST

The Newport College - Salve Regina has received a \$30,000 grant from The Rhode Island Foundation to support renovation of Wakehurst mansion as a student residence and conference center. Renovation will provide additional space to increase the number of full-time resident students.

"Enrollment is up and there has been an increase annually in the number of students who want to live on campus," notes Sister M. Therese Antone, vice president for institutional advancement. Also, the spacious building can easily be adapted to serve as a center for professional conferences in the summer.

Wakehurst, purchased by the College in 1972, is located on a ten acre site in the center of campus. Students have been living there since 1978. Renovation, which began in 1979, will continue for several years.

"The adaptive re-use of Wakehurst is meeting the space needs of a growing College and is, at the same time, preserving a structure of great historic value," indicates Sister Therese.

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